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File: USPT

May 5, 1998

US-PAT-NO: 5748188

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 5748188 A

TITLE: Hypertext markup language (HTML) extensions for graphical reporting over an internet

DATE-ISSUED: May 5, 1998

## INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

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Anand; Tejwansh S.	Roswell	GA		

## ASSIGNEE-INFORMATION:

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APPL-NO: 8/ 742003 [PALM]

DATE FILED: October 31, 1996

## PARENT-CASE:

CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS This patent application is a continuation-in-part of co-pending U.S. patent application Ser. No. 08/542,266, filed Oct. 12, 1995, and entitled "System and Method For Generating Reports From a Computer Database". This patent application is also related to co-pending U.S. patent application Ser. No. 08/742,007, filed Oct. 31, 1996, and entitled "System and Method For Segmenting a Database Based Upon Data Attributes", and Ser. No. 08/742,006, filed Oct. 31, 1996, and entitled "System And Method For Performing Intelligent Analysis Of A Computer Database".

INT-CL: [6] G06 F 15/00

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ART-UNIT: 273

PRIMARY-EXAMINER: Kim; Matthew M.

ASSISTANT-EXAMINER: Huynh; Ba

ATTY-AGENT-FIRM: Kirsch; Gregory J.

## ABSTRACT:

A hypertext data processing system wherein graphical data is sent from a server to a client computer using extensions to the Hypertext Markup Language (HTML). The client computer parses the graphical data and formulates an object representative of the graph to display. The object is passed to a graph server which displays the graph.

6 Claims, 31 Drawing figures

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File: USPT

Jun 16, 1998

US-PAT-NO: 5767854

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 5767854 A

TITLE: Multidimensional data display and manipulation system and methods for using same

DATE-ISSUED: June 16, 1998

## INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

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APPL-NO: 8/ 721899 [PALM]

DATE FILED: September 27, 1996

INT-CL: [6] G06 F 3/14

US-CL-ISSUED: 345/355; 345/419

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ART-UNIT: 273

PRIMARY-EXAMINER: Bayerl; Raymond J.

ASSISTANT-EXAMINER: Nguyen; Cao H.

ATTY-AGENT-FIRM: Strozier; Robert W. Gilbreth; J. M. (Mark) Gilbreth &amp; Strozier, PC

## ABSTRACT:

This invention discloses a user interface and data management procedures for the efficient display, manipulation and analysis of multi attributed data or data amenable to multidimensional display, manipulation and management. The invention is centered on the construction and use of data carousels comprising one or more n-gons where the each n-gon can be a layered n-gon at solid or each side of each n-gon can be a single face of an embedded n-gon.

10 Claims, 39 Drawing figures

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File: USPT

Apr 3, 2001

US-PAT-NO: 6212524

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 6212524 B1

TITLE: Method and apparatus for creating and populating a datamart

DATE-ISSUED: April 3, 2001

## INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

NAME	CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE	COUNTRY
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Walsh; Gregory Vincent	Cupertino	CA		
Slater, Jr.; Lynn Randolph	Fremont	CA		

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APPL-NO: 9/ 073752 [PALM]

DATE FILED: May 6, 1998

## PARENT-CASE:

CROSS REFERENCES TO RELATED APPLICATIONS This application relates to the following group of applications. Each application in the group relates to, and incorporates by reference, each other application in the group. The invention of each application is assigned to the assignee of this invention. The group of applications includes the following. U.S. patent application Ser. No. 09/385,119, entitled "Method and Apparatus for Creating a Well-Formed Database System Using a Computer," filed Aug. 27, 1999, and having inventors Craig David Weissman, Greg Vincent Walsh and Eliot Leonard Wegbreit. U.S. patent application Ser. No. 09/073,752, entitled "Method and Apparatus for Creating and Populating a Datamart," filed May 6, 1998, and having inventors Craig David Weissman, Greg Vincent Walsh and Lynn Randolph Slater, Jr. U.S. patent application Ser. No. 09/073,733, entitled "Method and Apparatus for Creating Aggregates for Use in a Datamart," filed May 6, 1998, and having inventors Allon Rauer, Gregory Vincent Walsh, John P. McCaskey, Craig David Weissman and Jeremy A. Rassen. U.S. patent application Ser. No. 09/073,753, entitled "Method and Apparatus for Creating a Datamart and for Creating a Query Structure for the Datamart," filed May 6, 1998, and having inventors Jeremy A. Rassen, Emile Litvak, abhi a. shelat, John P. McCaskey and Allon Rauer.

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US-CL-ISSUED: 707/101; 707/3

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ART-UNIT: 271

PRIMARY-EXAMINER: Ho; Ruay Lian

ATTY-AGENT-FIRM: Skjerven Morrill MacPherson LLP Marino; Fabio E.

ABSTRACT:

A method of generating a datamart is described. The datamart includes tables having rows and columns. The method comprises accessing a description of a schema. The schema defines the relationships between the tables and columns. The description further defines how data is to be manipulated and used to populate the tables in the datamart. That is, the description defines the semantic meaning of the data. The description is further used to create a set of commands to create the tables. The commands are executed causing the creation of the tables. Importantly, when the semantic meaning is associated with the column and rows, programs for manipulating and propagating data into those columns and rows are automatically defined. Previously, consultants would have to hand code the creation, manipulation, and population programs for a datamart. Thus, the amount of work required to create and populate the datamart is significantly reduced.

21 Claims, 48 Drawing figures

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Sep 11, 2001

US-PAT-NO: 6289352

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 6289352 B1

TITLE: Apparatus and method for compound on-line analytical processing in databases

DATE-ISSUED: September 11, 2001

## INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

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APPL-NO: 9/ 087680 [PALM]

DATE FILED: May 29, 1998

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ART-UNIT: 277

PRIMARY-EXAMINER: Homere; Jean R.

ATTY-AGENT-FIRM: Cooley Godward LLP Galliani; William S.

## ABSTRACT:

A method executed by a computer under the control of a program includes the establishing of a compound structure in the form of a virtual unit of multi-dimensional storage. The compound structure includes a rack with a horizontal arrangement of target structures linked by an alias backbone representing a dimension of information. The horizontal arrangement of target structures selectively includes further compound structures and base structures containing data, in any combination. The compound structure is referenced to obtain information. The method is particularly useful in On-Line Analytical Processing (OLAP).

21 Claims, 10 Drawing figures

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DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 6205447 B1

TITLE: Relational database management of multi-dimensional data

DATE-ISSUED: March 20, 2001

## INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

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## ASSIGNEE-INFORMATION:

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APPL-NO: 8/ 885409 [PALM]

DATE FILED: June 30, 1997

## PARENT-CASE:

CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS This application is related to the following co-pending and commonly-assigned patent applications: Application Ser. No. 08/885,112, entitled "MAPPING DENSE DATA BLOCKS TO ROWS IN A RELATIONAL DATABASE," filed on same date herewith, by William E. Malloy et al., attorney's docket number ST9-97-005; Application Ser. No. 08/885,696, entitled "RELATIONAL DATABASE IMPLEMENTATION OF A MULTI-DIMENSIONAL DATABASE," filed on same date herewith, by William E. Malloy, attorney's docket number ST9-97-007; Application Ser. No. 08/884,695, entitled "RELATIONAL DATABASE MODIFICATIONS BASED ON MULTI-DIMENSIONAL DATABASE MODIFICATIONS," filed on same date herewith, by William E. Malloy et al., attorney's docket number ST9-97-008; Application Ser. No. 08/885,417, entitled "RELATIONAL EMULATION OF A MULTI-DIMENSIONAL DATABASE INDEX," filed on same date herewith, by William E. Malloy et al., attorney's docket number ST9-97-009; and Application Ser. No. 08/885,410, entitled "ATTRIBUTE-BASED ACCESS FOR MULTI-DIMENSIONAL DATABASES," filed on same date herewith, by William E. Malloy et al., attorney's docket number ST9-97-068; all of which applications are incorporated by reference herein.

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ART-UNIT: 271

PRIMARY-EXAMINER: Black; Thomas G.

ASSISTANT-EXAMINER: Rones; Charles L.

ATTY-AGENT-FIRM: Pretty &amp; Schroeder, P.C.

## ABSTRACT:

A method, apparatus, and article of manufacture for using a relational database management system to support on-line analytical processing (OLAP) systems. A multi-dimensional database is defined using an outline that contains one or more dimensions, each dimension having a list of one or more members. A relational schema is defined based on the defined multi-dimensional database. A relational database is created based on the defined relational schema. The relational database is accessed using access mechanisms provided by the multi-dimensional database and the relational database.

21 Claims, 5 Drawing figures

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## ABSTRACT:

The string comparator device for comparison of strings of indicia at high speeds for use in a system circuit in a computer system. The string comparison device provides a numeric measurement of the degree of similarity between the compared indicia strings as defined by a mathematical algorithm. The algorithm is solved through a new string comparator device or a new program in a computer system. The system circuit in chip form can be connected in a storage loop of a computer system to locate and quickly extract records that are very similar to the supplied query. Inexact queries will rapidly locate records similar with respect to indicia string related measurements of similarity. The method of indicia string comparison in the improved string comparator device can provide rapid response to queries in a computation time proportional to the average length of the indicia string.

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ABSTRACT:

A method and apparatus for randomly selecting terms from an input string to form a plurality of search queries is described. Each of the plurality of search queries can be provided to a database to locate database entries in the database. Database entries returned from a database search using the plurality of search queries may be ordered to provide a relevance ranked list of the database entries.

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